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Preschool Education. Tax on Incomes

Over \$400,000 For Individuals; \$800,000 For Couples.

Initiative Constitutional Amendment and Statute.

Proponents: James Harrison and Roberta Johansen

BALLOT TITLE AND SUMMARY

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OVER \$400,000 FOR INDIVIDUALS; \$800,000 FOR COUPLES.
INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND STATUTE.**

- Establishes a right to voluntary preschool for all four-year old children.
- Funded by a 1.7% tax on individual incomes above \$400,000; \$800,000 for couples.
- Administered by the state Superintendent of Public Instruction and county school superintendents.
- Directs counties to prepare reports on curricula, outreach, facilities, childcare coordination, budgeting, teacher recruitment and pay.
- Limits administrative expenses; requires program audits.
- Requires state Superintendent to develop a preschool teaching credential with financial aid for credential students.
- Excludes revenue from appropriation limits, Proposition 98 calculations.

**Summary of Legislative Analyst's
Estimate of Net State and Local Government Fiscal Impact:**

- Increased state revenues of about \$2.1 billion in 2007-08, growing annually with the economy to around \$2.6 billion in 2010-11, when the preschool program would be open to all 4-year olds in the state.
- Revenues would be used solely for new state preschool program and would be spent to run the program, pay for facilities, train teachers, and provide an operating reserve.

**SUBJECT TO COURT
ORDERED CHANGES**